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SUBJECT: Minutes of Meeting of Survey Committee on Inventory and
Disposal of Records of Nurnberg Tribunals

TO : Members of the Committee
Major Kaufman
Mr. Dodge

1. Capt Paul called a meeting of the Survey Committee at 1500 on Wednesday, 17 March 1948, in the Executive Office to discuss ways and means of coordinating the survey of the records of the Nurnberg Tribunals with the needs of the Office of the Deputy Director of Intelligence under EUCOM Intelligence Center.

2. Present at the meeting were the following members of the Committee:

Capt Paul, Chairman
Mrs. Mandellaub, Secretary General, Court Archives
Mr. Niebergall, Document Control Branch
Mrs. Bullen, Recorder

Absent was Mr. Ferencz, Executive Counsel, on TDY.

3. Also in attendance were Lt Col Maroun, Dr. Russell, and Capt Valentine.

4. Representing the Documents and Photostat Section of ODDI were

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5. The visiting representatives of ODDI reported that they are making a survey under orders from the Department of the Army of records and documents all over the theater. They cover everything involving

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economic, industrial, and political aspects that would be of interest to Intelligence agencies. Material which they desire is turned over to ODDI, when they are finished with it is sent to the Library of Congress, and is eventually shipped to the destination indicated by the original source. They are mainly interested, not in documents produced in the Courthouse (i.e., transcripts, indictments, judgments, etc.) but in the original documents obtained from German and other foreign sources.

6. Col Maroun suggested ODDI would want to send a representative to Nurnberg to screen for material of interest to them. Major Kaufman said that Mr. Dodge, also attending the meeting, had been here off and on for about nine months screening material in the Library and Document Control, but has been able only to "scratch the surface." He will remain here for a while to continue the process of screening.

7. Major Kaufman asked if it were possible to separate transcripts and documents. He was informed that they are already maintained separately. In any case, they are received in toto by EUCOM.

8. Mrs. Mandellaub mentioned that she had not planned to include a survey of her permanent record file in her report to the committee. Capt Paul pointed out that the Survey Committee is the coordinating agent for all records, including those of the Secretary General, for purposes of determining volume and location of materials with a view to anticipating and requesting of sufficient funds for eventual shipment to ultimate destination.

9. Court Archives maintains a permanent record file, which is eventually shipped to Civil Affairs Division in Washington after approval from Berlin. ODDI could not remove any of the material from this permanent file. However, the material could be screened and anything desired could be photostated. Col Maroun suggested that, since this material could not be removed, it had perhaps better be the first to be screened, so that photostats could be made while reproducing facilities are still available. Court Archives permanent file includes also all Defense Counsel material. Any screening of Court Archives material must be cleared through Colonel Ray to Mrs. Mandellaub.

10. The question was raised concerning those records used in both IMT and Subsequent Proceedings as to where they should be included in any survey, and how disposition was to be made of them. It was the consensus that Col Ray as General Secretary of IMT and Secretary General of the Subsequent proceedings would logically have jurisdiction over this question.

11. It was agreed that Mr. Ferencz would undoubtedly have jurisdiction over any materials that would be given out before the trials are over, since there is no way of knowing what documents and records from present and previous trials may be needed by any given Tribunal still in session for rebuttals, etc.

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12. There is some Library material which is no longer needed here, which could be screened now. Mr. Weiss could transfer the receipts from his name to ODDI.

13. Mr. Niebergall reported that some of the material for the "Justice Jackson Project" is now ready to be sent away - about 4000 documents. Mr. Dodge could screen those now and send them to the Library of Congress, Attention: National Archives, their ultimate destination.

14. ODDI procedures in handling all material removed by them from the originating source is to forward it - once they are finished with it - to the Library of Congress, which in turn forwards it to the ultimate receiving agent designated by the originating source. In such a case, a letter should be written to the receiving agent by the originating source indicating the process of disposition.

15. It was agreed that all requests for records and material from the trials should be coordinated through a central agency. That would naturally be the Survey Committee itself. Mrs. Mandellaub pointed out that many requests come in from German universities for material from the trials in connection with the study of international law. She felt that material should also be sent to key United States universities in order to keep a fair balance. Col Maroun suggested that the German records and material be sent to German universities and English material to American Universities.

16. Col Maroun suggested to Major Kaufman that a letter be written by General Walsh, Deputy Director of Intelligence, EUCOM, to the Chief of Counsel for War Crimes concerning the situation, what is desired, and indicating the assumption of full responsibility for seeing that documents secured from OCCWC reach their final destination as designated by OCCWC.

17. The meeting adjourned at 1550.

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